

Amendments to the Claims:

The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A temporary marking material comprising a thermally-expansible layer containing a binder, a pigment, and thermally-expansible microballs, wherein said thermally-expansible layer is adhered to a surface of a structure for use by virtue of the binder contained in the thermally-expansible layer.
2. (Currently Amended) A temporary marking material according to claim 1, wherein the thermally-expansible microballs are expandable at a predetermined temperature or higher, ~~and expanded thermally-expansible microballs makes thermally-expansible layer expanded;~~ and wherein the temporary marking material becomes peelable from the surface of said structure due to expansion of the ~~thermally-expansible layer caused by expanded~~ thermally-expansible microballs when heated at said predetermined temperature or higher ~~while the temporary marking material is adhered to the surface of the structure at a temperature of working atmosphere.~~
3. (Currently Amended) A temporary marking material according to claim 2, wherein the thermally-expansible microballs have an expandability of at least 10 times in terms of volume, compared with the volume thereof at temperature of working atmosphere.
4. (Original) A temporary marking material according to claim 1, wherein the marking material further comprises a bead layer containing transparent beads; said bead layer being provided on a side of the thermally-expansible layer opposite to a side which contacts with the structure.

5. (Original) A pavement marker comprising a temporary marking material which comprises

a thermally-expansible layer containing a binder,

a pigment and

thermally-expansible microballs,

wherein the pavement marker is disposed, for use, on a pavement as a surface of the structure by virtue of the binder contained in the thermally-expansible layer.

6. (Currently Amended) A pavement marker according to claim 5,

wherein the thermally-expansible microballs are expandable at a predetermined temperature or higher, and ~~expanded thermally-expansible microballs makes thermally-expansible layer expanded;~~ and

wherein the temporary marking material becomes peelable from the surface of said structure due to expansion of ~~the thermally-expansible layer caused by expanded thermally-expansible microballs when heated at said predetermined temperature or higher while the temporary marking material is adhered to the surface of the structure at a temperature of working atmosphere.~~

7. (Currently Amended) A pavement marker according to claim 5,

wherein the thermally-expansible microballs have an expandability of at least 10 times in terms of volume, compared with the volume thereof at temperature of working atmosphere.

8. (Original) A pavement marker according to claim 5,

wherein the marking material further comprises a bead layer containing transparent beads; said bead layer being provided on a side of the thermally-expansible layer opposite to a side which contacts with the structure.